Faith leaders from the UAE and US called for unity during the COVID-19 pandemic in a virtual interfaith discussion convened by the UAE Embassy. More than 300 participants from the UAE, US and around the world viewed the livestreamed conversation.

“Even in difficult times, the spirit of Ramadan is still with us, and the importance of gathering as a community is greater than ever,” said UAE Ambassador to the US Yousef Al Otaiba, who hosted the event with UAE Minister of Culture and Knowledge Development Noura Al Kaabi and UAE Permanent Representative to the United Nations Lana Nusseibeh.

The Ramadan gathering featured comments from representatives of the Muslim, Jewish, Christian and Sikh communities in both the UAE and the US. Miguel Ángel Moratinos, High Representative of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations, joined the faith leaders and offered his wholehearted support for the Higher Committee of Human Fraternity’s call for a global day of prayer on May 14.

In the face of COVID-19, faith communities are finding new ways to practice their religions. During Ramadan, technology has allowed those observing Islam’s holiest month to connect despite social distancing constraints, including through hosting virtual iftars.
Thank you, UAE Ambassador to the UN Lana Nusseibeh, for joining AJC's Advocacy Anywhere program for a critical discussion on COVID-19, strategic threats, the UAE's Jewish community, and Israel's place in the region.
The UAE continues to be a leading first responder to global crises, especially now with #COVID19. This new Dubai air bridge will help speed up the international community’s response & surely help us to save lives. Thanks to the UAE for their critical partnership! @UAEMissionToUN

U.A.E. Ambassador to the U.S. HE Yousef Al Otaiba thanks @emirates President Sir Tim Clark and @etihad CEO Mr. Tony Douglas for their commitment to repatriation efforts and major contributions to the U.A.E. economy on today's @USUAEBizCouncil webinar @UAEUSAUNITED @UAEEmbassyUS

The United Arab Emirates have spent billions of dollars in a quest for food security and now it could be paying off #FutureOffFood

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dc4zZn0Uiay
UAE-based researchers have developed a new stem-cell treatment for #Covid_19 which has shown promising results in initial trials. 
https://wam.ae/en/details/1395302840020

In partnership with @hanansayedworrell, author of @tabletalesme, we hosted our first in a series of virtual Ifars, “Iftar From Afar” celebrating the connections we have built across the oceans, by sharing our food, our traditions, and our stories in these extraordinary times.

This virtual iftar was an amazing opportunity to bring together people in the United States and United Arab Emirates around a (virtual) table discussing our shared interests and common values of family, culture and traditions.

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Missing sports? Don’t worry, we’ve got you covered. UAE-USA United is partnering with @monumental_sports to connect #esports fans & players from around the world. Tune in to twitch.tv/wizardsdg tonight at 9pm ET as @wizardsdg goes head-to-head against @raptorsuprising in the first Wizards game of the #NBA2K season! #RunTheDistrict #UAESA

This Month In History

In May 2015, HH Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE revealed that the Mars
space probe would be called Al Amal or Hope. Ambassador Al Otaiba has called the probe "the Arab world's version of President John F. Kennedy’s moonshot."

Five years on, the Hope probe arrived at its launch site last month and will launch this summer. The probe was built by a team of 150 Emirati engineers, researchers and scientists at the Mohammed bin Rashid Space Centre (MBRSC) and in collaboration with three US universities.